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JOB PROFILE

Hairdresser / barber

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Personal, domestic & cleaning services · ISCO-08 5141

Hairdressers and barbers cut, wash, colour, style and straighten hair, shave or trim beards, and treat problems of the scalp. Technical secondary schools in Timor-Leste teach hair care and styling.

TRAIN IN TIMOR	**Technical secondary school** ESTV hair care course
COURSE LENGTH	**To confirm** No published source yet
IN TIMOR	**To confirm** No published demand data yet
ABROAD	**No official programme yet** Australia PEV: any job, with a job offer
PAY IN TIMOR	**US$200 / month** Average for all service & sales workers in Timor-Leste, not this job alone (Labour Force Survey 2021)

WHAT YOU DO

Cut and style: Wash and cut hair; Colour, wave and straighten hair; Braid hair, make dreadlocks and add hair extensions.

Barbering: Shave and trim beards and moustaches; Give scalp treatments; Fit wigs to what the customer wants.

Look after customers: Listen to what the customer wants; Give advice on hair care, products and styles; Book appointments and take payment.

Keep it clean: Clean the work area after each customer; Clean and sanitise scissors, combs and razors; Use hair dyes and other chemicals with care.

Based on the ILO description of ISCO-08 unit group 5141, Hairdressers.

WHERE YOU WORK

Hair salons (Cutting, colouring and styling); Barber shops (Haircuts and shaves); Your own home salon (Working for yourself); Weddings & events (Styling hair for special days).

You stand most of the day, use sharp tools and work with water, hair dyes and other chemicals.

Customers come back when they like your work, so being friendly, clean and on time matters.

IS IT FOR ME?

You are good at: Talking with people, Careful work with your hands, Keeping things clean, Standing for long hours, Listening.

You like: Hair, style and fashion, Making people look good, Meeting people, Being your own boss.

Basic maths and a notebook or phone help you keep track of appointments and money.

TRAIN FOR IT IN TIMOR-LESTE

- **Técnico de Cuidado e Estética do Cabelo** · Technical secondary school course (ESTV)
- **No national certificate listed yet** · The published list of INDMO titles has no hairdressing course, and that list is incomplete.

Course length and fees: to confirm with the Ministry of Education and each school. The directory never shows a number without a source.

WHERE IT LEADS

- **Salon assistant** · Washes hair and keeps the salon clean
- **Hairdresser / barber** · ESTV hair care course
- **Your own salon or barber shop** · Startups of Timor helps you start one

WORK ABROAD, SAFELY

- **Australia: Pacific Engagement Visa** · No official programme recruits Timorese workers for this job yet. Australia's Pacific Engagement Visa allows any occupation, but you need a job offer first.

Never pay a fixer. Join only through SEFOPE, the Timor-Leste government office for work abroad. No one can sell you a place, and a real overseas job never asks you for a recruitment fee.

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